

REMARKS

Upon entry of this Amendment, claims 13-28 and 33-62 are pending for consideration by the Examiner, and claims 1-12 and 29-32 are canceled.

The Examiner has required election of one of the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. 121:

- I. Claims 1-12, drawn to a contact button of a potentiometer.
- II. Claims 13-28 and 33-38, drawn to a fuel level sending unit.
- III. Claims 29-32, drawn to a method of removing debris from the pathway of a button traveling along a potentiometer.

The Applicant hereby elects invention II, claims 13-28 and 33-38, without traverse. The Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for granting the telephone interview with the Applicant's representative, Richard L. Kaiser, on July 9, 2004. In that interview, the restriction requirement was discussed and the Examiner stated that an election of invention II could be accompanied by the addition of similar claims directed to a potentiometer. New claims 39-62 have been added and also read on invention II. No new matter has been added.

The Applicant has amended claim 13. New dependent claim 62 depends from amended claim 13. The amendment to claim 13 is a broadening amendment, and no new matter has been added.

The undersigned is available for telephone consultation at any time.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard L. Kaiser". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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